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## **DSA BULLETIN 08-03**

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To: DSA Staff and

**Interested Parties** 

**Division of the State Architect** From:

**SUBJECT: Extension of Start of Construction in 2008** 

**Purpose:** The purpose of this bulletin is to clarify the extension of the time allowed to start construction after DSA approval of the Application.

**Discussion:** Pursuant to Title 24 Part 1 Section 4-330, construction of any given project shall be commenced within one year after the approval of the application. DSA may grant renewal of the approved application on a yearly basis up to a period not to exceed four years. DSA may require the plans and specifications be revised to meet its current regulations before a renewal is granted.

Extensions for Projects Submitted Under the 2001 CBC: Requests submitted to DSA during 2008 to extend projects that were approved under the 2001 California Building Code (CBC), will be granted without requiring modifications to plans and specifications for compliance with the 2007 CBC. The project extension will be for a maximum period of one year, not to exceed the aggregate limitation of four years. However, DSA will be reevaluating annually whether requests for extensions on projects that are not 2007 CBC compliant will be approved.

Approval of a request to extend a project does not absolve the school district from complying with the current federal ADA requirements, including the ADA standards for "Accessible Design."

Voluntary Re-submittal for 2007 CBC Compliance: For projects submitted and approved under the 2001 CBC, the District may, as part of requesting an extension and upon paying appropriate fees, re-submit plans and specifications which have been modified for 2007 CBC compliance.